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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Toni M.Kutchan et al

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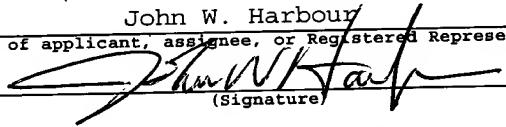
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination and calculation of fees please enter the following amendments. Such amendments are not made in response or anticipation of substantive rejections. Applicants reserve the right to reassert the canceled subject matter in later filed amendments or related applications.

In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 3 as follows:

3. (Amended) A polynucleotide according to claim 1, selected from the group consisting of:
 - (a) the polynucleotide sequences shown in FIGS 10 to 15;